Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:30 pm Vigil
Sunday Masses 8:00 am, 9:15 am,
10:45 am en Español, 12:15 pm, and 5:00 pm

Coffee & Donuts, in the Parish Center, after 9:15 Mass

Children's Liturgy of the Word at 9:15 Mass
all children age k to 4th grade welcome
no registration required

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 3:30 - 4:15 pm - or by appointment

Holy Days of Obligation 8:30 am and 6:00 pm

Daily Mass Monday ~ Saturday 8:30 am in the Chapel

Devotions
Rosary in English ~ daily after 8:30 am Mass
Our Lady of Perpetual Help ~ Tuesday after 8:30 am Mass

Religious Education
Dorothy Vigna, Director
415.648.7538

School of Religion (CCD) ~ Saturdays
9:30 am - 11:00 am, September through May

Confirmation Preparation for Teenagers
Tuesdays 7:00 pm, September through May

St. Paul's Elementary School
wwwstpaulschoolsflrg.org
Kindergarten through 8th Grade
Sr. Kathryn Camacho, SNDdeN, Principal
415.648.2035

Baptism Preparation ~ first Wednesday of each month 7:00 pm

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) ~ September to May, please call the Rectory for information

Marriage Preparation ~ contact Rev. Mario Farina at least six (6) months prior to your desired ceremony date
### ST. PAUL'S THANKSGIVING RESPONSE TO GOD THIS PAST WEEK

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### Blood Drive March 12, 2017

Thank you to all who gave their all, so many will be forever grateful. Thank you to the following:

- ANDRES ALGANTAR
- JILL ALGANTAR
- JOSEPH BULLARD
- JASON COFFER
- TREVOR CRANE
- MICHAEL CULLEN
- KATHLEEN DA SILVA
- BRIAN GLANDER
- MARTIN KATSANES
- DARRON LA SAINT
- MARIAELENA LA SAINT
- MACE MAMLOK
- BREANA MEAGHER
- SYBIL MEYER
- NILZA MONROY
- MERCEDES ROBLES
- PATRICK RYNN
- LAIMA SVERA
- ELIZABETH UY-SMITH
- TERRY WATTERS
- WILLIAM JOSEPH WEHRMEISTER
- ELI WOLF
- MAX WOLF

Our next blood drive will be June 11, 2017, you can sign up early at [www.bloodheroes.com](http://www.bloodheroes.com)

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS during Lent

- **Wednesday morning** in the Chapel, following the 8:30am Mass
- **Wednesday evening** stations will take place in the Church at 6pm, follow by a Soup Supper in the Rectory
- **Thursday evening** Spanish stations will be held in the Chapel under the Church at 6:30pm,

**Please note Mass time changes for Sunday Masses on Palm Sunday**

- Mass times will be 8am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm and 5:00pm
- **And Easter Sunday**
  - Mass times will be 8am, 9:30am, 11:00am, and 12:30pm

### St. Paul’s 2017 Community Outreach Lenten Schedule

Thank you to all of you who participated in Our Lenten gifts program.

It was another great success because of all of you.

### RICE BOWLS

Please return your rice bowls next Sunday April 9th at all masses. You can place your rice bowls with your donations in the basket that will be placed on the altar. Thank you all for participating and for your donations.

Please pray for those in our book of the sick and especially for the following: Christine Sacino, Bob Murphy, Galynn Brady, Al DiVella, Dominic Sacino, Karen Davis, Renato Miyamoto, Eaman Penney, Andy Parodi, Carol Storen. Larry Gremillion Abel Marquez, Larry Marino Jr., Louisa Philips, Josie Selby.

We pray for the deceased members of our Parish, especially the following: Gary McMurtry, Susan Slattery, Michael Campusano, Russell Johnson, Antonia Herico, Dennis McGuire.

### Mass Intentions for the Week

- **Saturday 4:30 pm**
  - Josephine & Jack Shea (D)
  - Lourdes Lapus (D)
  - William Strachan (D)
  - Fr. Michael Kotlanger (D)
  - 9:15 am
  - RCIA 2nd Scrutiny
  - Elizabeth Demyanovich (D)
  - 10:45 am Spanish
  - People of St. Paul’s (L&D)
  - 12:15 pm
  - People of St. Paul’s (L&D)
  - 5:00 pm
  - St. Paul’s Alumnae (L&D)
  - Mary Kelly (D)
  - Monday 8:30 am
  - People of St. Paul’s (L&D)
  - Tuesday 8:30 am
  - Martin King (D)
  - Wednesday 6:00 pm
  - Jack Ely (D)
  - Peggy Garcia Ely (L)
  - Thursday 8:30 am
  - Eva DeLopez (D)
  - Friday 8:30 am
  - People of St. Paul’s (L&D)
  - Saturday 8:30 am
  - People of St. Paul’s (L&D)
  - Saturday 4:30 pm
  - Jack & Margaret Kotlanger (D)
  - Sunday 8:00 am
  - Glen Smith (D)
  - Grant Nye (D)
  - Patrick Kenny (D)
  - 9:30 am
  - Giovanni & Giuseppe Bertoro (L)
  - 11:00 am Spanish
  - Isabel Arguello (D)
  - Ismael Garcia (D)
  - 12:30 pm
  - People of St. Paul’s (L&D)
  - 5:00 pm
  - People of St. Paul’s (L&D)
This weekend is our monthly collection for our Preservation Fund. Your donations to this fund help maintain and preserve our Church and Parish buildings.

This weekend our Community Outreach Lenten offering is a healthy brown bag lunch. These lunches will be distributed by the Missionaries of Charity. Lunches may be placed at the Altar before or after Mass, or dropped off in the Sacristy. Thanks to all of you, our 2017 Lenten gifts program was a great success.

The Men of St Paul will meet, in the Rectory, Monday, April 3 at 8:00 pm – all men of the parish are welcome.

The Dinner-Dance-Auction Committee will meet in the Rectory Tuesday, April 4 at 7:00 pm.

St Paul’s Altar Society meets Wednesday, April 5th 9:30 am in the Rectory.

Stations of the Cross for the final week of Lent will be on Wednesday, April 5th following the 8:30 am morning Mass, in the Chapel; and again at 6:00 pm in the Church followed by soup supper sponsored by the Women of St. Paul. Stations of the Cross in Spanish is Thursday, April 6th at 6:30 pm in the Chapel.

For parents who desire to have their child baptized in the Catholic Faith, our next Baptism Class is Wednesday, April 5, 7:00 pm. Please contact the Rectory for more information.
Palm Sunday is next weekend, please note Mass time changes. Masses on Palm Sunday will be offered at 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am in Spanish, 12:30 pm, and 5:00 pm.

Rice Bowls may be returned during all Palm Sunday Masses. You may place your Rice Bowl in the collection, or in the basket on the altar. Thank you for your participation in the CRS Rice bowl program.

Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Commentators & Altar Servers – if you’ve not yet signed up for our Holy Week services, we need your help! You’ll find the sign-up sheet in the Sacristy. Please sign-up for your preferred service time.

Flowers needed: We need Calla Lilies for our Holy Thursday Service. Please bring your donations to the Rectory between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm, Tuesday April 11 or Wednesday April 12.

Help Wanted with decorating, dusting, and vacuuming the Church for our Easter Services. Please join us Saturday April 15, 2017 at 10:15 am. Lunch will be provided.

Flowers Needed: We need Potted Spring flowers and Easter Lilies for our Easter Services. Please bring your donations to the Rectory during Holy Week, April 10 - April 14; or to the Church cleaning, Holy Saturday, April 15.

The Rectory Offices will close at Noon for Good Friday Services.

PLEASE return the Breaking Bread books to the bookcases in the vestibules of the Church. Thank you and may you all have a blessed final week of Lent.
JESUS’ MINISTRY SUMMARIZED

The story of the raising of Lazarus from the dead is the single longest story (apart from the Passion) in the Gospel of John. In it we find a summary of most of Jesus’ ministry. We see his very human nature as he is moved by Martha and Mary’s sorrows and as he himself weeps at the tomb of Lazarus. He is the wisdom of God’s Word made flesh as he explains to his followers that the death of Lazarus will serve as a sign of the glory of God. He crowns the miracles he works in John’s Gospel (which began with the most “human” miracle of making new wine at Cana’s wedding) by raising Lazarus from the dead—a “preview,” if you will, of his own death and resurrection to come. This portrait of Jesus reminds us, as we near the end of our Lenten journey, that he is with us, knows us, understands us in every moment of our lives. He knows the joy of our human feasting, he knows the sorrow of our weeping. As we prepare to walk with him through the days of Holy Week, we are filled with faith that—through Christ—God’s glory will be with us in every moment of our lives and—with Christ—in our life everlasting.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Not until the thirteenth century do we find a mention of a locked tabernacle. There’s some evidence for eucharistic towers also, but often these were in an obscure corner of the church, or even in the off-limits sacristy. Many of us grew up “making visits” to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, but it’s clear this would raise some medieval eyebrows in confusion! To the present day, the Eucharist is always reserved only in a side chapel in many cathedrals. The principal focus in a cathedral is always on the altar, symbol of Christ, and on the cathedra, symbol of the pastoral ministry of the bishop.

In your parish church there is probably a “sanctuary lamp,” a permanently lit candle or oil lamp indicating the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Sometimes it’s in a red glass, not for any particular reason except that it’s easy to find. There is a story of a bishop missioned to Papua New Guinea who was distressed to find no sanctuary lamps burning in his new diocese. The people patiently explained that their churches were woven of grass, and that they decided to place a chief’s standard, a trident, in front of the tabernacle. That was a sign in their culture that the “chief” was at home, like raising the flag over Buckingham Palace. The bishop, an Irish import, didn’t appreciate the British reference, so he ordered the candles back. The first church to burn to the ground was the cathedral, and after two more, the chief’s tridents returned.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:  Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62];
          Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday:  Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56;
           Jn 8:31-42
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59
Friday:   Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56
Sunday:  Mt 21:1-11 (procession);
          Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24;
          Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]

April 2nd Fifth Sunday of Lent
For those nearing the end of life: May the grace of God shine through the care of medical professionals, family, and friends; We pray to the Lord:
RESUMEN DEL MINISTERIO DE JESÚS
El relato de cómo Lázaro revivió de entre los muertos es el relato más largo (además de la Pasión) en el Evangelio según san Juan. En él encontramos un resumen de la mayor parte del ministerio de Jesús. Vemos su naturaleza humana cuando se conmueve con la tristeza de Marta y de María y cuando él mismo llora frente a la tumba de Lázaro. Es la sabiduría de la Palabra de Dios hecha carne cuando le explica a sus seguidores que la muerte de Lázaro servirá como una señal de la gloria de Dios. Corona los milagros que obra en el Evangelio según san Juan (que comenzó con el milagro más “humano” de hacer más vino en la boda de Caná) reviviendo a Lázaro de entre los muertos; un “avance”, por así decirlo, de su propia muerte y resurrección por venir. Este retrato de Jesús nos recuerda, mientras estamos cerca del fin de nuestro viaje de Cuaresma, que él está con nosotros, nos conoce, nos comprende en cada momento de nuestra vida. Conoce la alegría de nuestras celebraciones humanas, conoce la tristeza de nuestro llanto. Mientras nos preparamos para caminar con él en los días de Semana Santa, tenemos fe de que —por Cristo— la gloria de Dios estará con nosotros a cada momento de nuestra vida y —con Cristo— en nuestra vida eterna.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE
Vicente Ferrer, patrón de los obreros de la construcción, falleció el 5 de abril de 1419. Este santo varón nació en Valencia, España, en 1350, vivió y predicó el Evangelio en una época muy difícil del cristianismo. Además de la peste, guerras y otros problemas sociales, la Iglesia estaba dividida por dos o tres hombres que insistían ser el verdadero Papa.

Vicente, un religioso dominico, dedicó su vida a reconstruir la Iglesia promoviendo la virtud de la caridad interna y externa mediante una predicación que relacionaba la Palabra de Dios con la vida cotidiana. Vicente se valía de la teología, poesía, repetición y otros medios para inculcar la sabiduría bíblica en sus oyentes. De esta manera supo construir la fe tanto en los fieles y en la Iglesia como comunidad.

Los cuadros de este santo español normalmente lo presentan con una llama ardiente en una mano y en la otra, con una Biblia abierta. De esta manera los artistas subrayan el amor ardiente que los cristianos debemos tener por la Palabra de Dios, un amor que Vicente edificaba en el corazón de los fieles.

2 de abril 5º Domingo de Cuaresma
Por los que están cerca del final de la vida: Que la gracia de Dios brille por medio del cuidado de los profesionales de la medicina, de familiares y amigos; rogüemos al Señor:
REFLECTING ON THE GOSPEL

Both Martha and Mary say to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." How disappointed they must have been with Jesus! Only good friends can chide one another in such a way! They had high expectations of their Friend: he could heal others, he certainly would heal Lazarus whom he loved so much that when he went to the tomb where Lazarus had been laid, Jesus wept. However, Martha and Mary's expectation, hope, desire that their brother would be healed by their Friend was actually too shortsighted. Jesus intended something way beyond their experience, their imagination, their limited understanding of him and his power. Jesus intended a new revelation about himself. And a new revelation about themselves.

Jesus purposely had delayed for two days coming to Bethany. Arriving after Lazarus was dead for four days (yes, Lazarus was really dead: "there will be a stench"), Jesus could them reveal that death is necessary, but not the end. Death is necessary not so much because of the sin of Adam and Eve that brought mortality to the human race, but because of what is beyond death: eternal Life. Out of death Jesus reveals the deeper mystery of his own Person: "I am the resurrection and the life." Jesus' power over death to give Life is a whole new revelation that asks for mothering less than the kind of believing in Jesus that means giving our whole lives over to him. Martha and Mary came "to believe." Have we?
The rising of Lazarus has more to do with Jesus, us, and believing that it has to do with Lazarus. Jesus works an even greater miracle than healing Lazarus. By raising him from the dead he gave a clear sign that he has over death and life. The raising of Lazarus is a new kind of statement about life. “Do you believe this?” Jesus asks Martha. He asks the same question of us. We spend our whole lives grappling with the mystery of Jesus’ bringing Life out of death. Jesus comes to us like he came to Martha and Mary with an invitation to believe that Jesus’ own death and resurrection have meaning for us in the messiness of our daily living. This gospel challenges us not so much with respect to our belief in Jesus’ resurrection, as in believing that our own daily dying to self is already a sign of Life we are given and a sign of the fullness of Life we will receive at our resurrection. Once more: Martha and Mary came “to believe.” Have we?

LIVING THE PASCHAL MYSTERY

Mary and Martha’s long relationship with Jesus had brought them to believe him. It must be comforting for us to know that their belief was still less than perfect. So is ours. And, like Mary and Martha, our belief is strengthened by encounters with Jesus. One obvious way we encounter Jesus is a Mass when we expressly take time out of our busy schedules to be present. Other prayer time during the day and week are also times when we consciously strive to encounter Jesus. Perhaps less evident as encounters with Jesus would be all those times when our sinfulness is forgiven by a smile and welcome, we encounter Jesus in the other and are brought to new Life. Jesus loves each of us as deeply as he loved Mary, Martha, and Lazarus, and gives each of us new Life, too.
WEEKLY REFLECTIONS FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

FOR COMMUNITY AND RENEW GROUPS
+ Like Martha, I say to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here” when . . .
  because . . .
+ Like Mary, I delay going to Jesus when . . . because . . .
+ I struggle with belief in Life coming from death when . . .
+ I have experienced Jesus bringing Life out of death when . . .

FOR OUR PRESIDERS
+ My ministry to those who are dying brings me to believe that . . .

FOR DEACONS
+ My ministry manifests Christ as the “resurrection and life” in that . . .

FOR HOSPITALITY MINISTERS
+ My reaching out to others is life-giving when . . .
+ Is death-dealing when . . .

FOR MUSIC MINISTERS
+ My music ministry reveals they joy of the resurrection when . . .

FOR ALTAR SERVERS
+ God’s new Life rises in e when I serve because . . .

FOR LECTORS
+ Living my belief in Jesus’ gift of new Life has an impact on my proclamation
  in that . . .

FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
+ Coming to believe that Jesus is the resurrection and Life, I realize I am
  offering communicants . . .

Lent
Calla Lilies/Plants Needed

We need Calla Lilies and Plants to decorate the Church for Holy Week / Easter Services

We need Calla Lilies for our **Holy Thursday Service**. Please bring your donations Tuesday or Wednesday, April 11th & 12th 2017

We also need Easter Lilies and Potted Spring flowers and Easter Lilies for our Easter Services. Please bring your donations to the Church by Saturday April 15, 2017
CHURCH CLEAN-UP AND DECORATING

SATURDAY APRIL 15, 2017
10:15 AM – 2PM

We need help with cleaning and decorating the Church for our Easter Services.
We need help with dusting, vacuuming, cleaning and decorating.
lunch will be provided for the workers.

Any help would be appreciated.